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ABSTRACT

The notebook computer 1 comprises a keyboard 2 positioned on the upper surface of a computer body 10, an operating ball 22, function keys 24 and the like. A cover member fixed to the computer body 10 by a hinge 40 so that it opens and closes against the computer body is supported in an open position substantially perpendicular to the body 10. A first display device 60 is formed on the inner surface of the cover member 50, and a second display device 70 is formed on the outer surface thereof. The operator and the client facing each other with the notebook computer positioned between them could share the same screen information by watching each of the two display devices in front of them.

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